

To the Members of the California State Senate:

I am returning Senate Bill 613 without my signature.

This bill would extend the annual fee on motor vehicles in San Mateo County for the purposes of traffic congestion relief and storm water pollution mitigation until 2019. This bill is premature because the bill seeks to extend the program before a full evaluation of the pilot project has occurred. I am also concerned over the ten year length of this program as envisioned in the bill.

I encourage the Legislature to consider legislation next year after reviewing the results of the first three years of the pilot project. If the project is deemed successful, I will sign into law legislation extending the program for up to an additional four years under the current fee structure.

Sincerely,

Arnold Schwarzenegger